



April 13-14, 2016

Workshop Descriptions

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13TH, 2016

Session I 9:45 a.m.-11:15 a.m.

1. Preventing Child Sexual Abuse: Building Statewide Capacity with Stewards of Children Curriculum

Kelly Hayes, Assistant Director PCA Kansas, Kansas Children's Service League; Rachelle Rake, Training Specialist, Kansas Children's Service League

The Kansas Children's Service League, state chapter for Prevent Child Abuse Kansas, will share about the work being done in child sexual abuse prevention in Kansas. The Stewards of Children curriculum is a program of Darkness to Light, and is an evidence-based model used across the U.S. to educate adults in simple steps they can take to protect children of all ages from child sexual abuse. An introduction to the curriculum will be provided along with information on opportunities to attend a full training or to become an authorized facilitator to provide trainings in your community.

2. You've got the Tools, Now What? Creating a LAP that's Right for You

Mary Doyle Stafford, LMSW, Education and Prevention Specialist, SAFEHOME; Theresa Heller, LMSW, Lethality Prevention Program Coordinator, SAFEHOME; Jan Helfer

As the epidemic of violence grows in our society, domestic violence advocates and other helping professionals can often feel powerless to create lasting change. Learn about the efforts of a group of women who lost their beloved friend to intimate partner homicide and subsequently advocated for the implementation of a Lethality Assessment Program (an evidence-based solution for reducing domestic violence homicide and saving lives) within their own community. Identify common barriers to incorporating Lethality Assessment Programs (including budget constraints, lack of community partnerships, and challenges specific to rural communities) and learn practical tools for creating a sustainable lethality assessment program based on the specific needs of your organization, community, and the survivors you serve.

3. Voluntary Intoxication: It's Not Consent for Sex, You Know

Russell Strand, Chief, Behavioral Sciences Education and Training Division United States Army, Military Police School, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri

Sexual assault investigations and prosecutions involving voluntarily intoxicated victims present significant challenges. Many predators know of these challenges and prey upon voluntarily intoxicated victims. All too often, investigators and prosecutors focus on explaining away the victim's choices and behaviors rather than focusing on the predator's use of intoxication as a tool. Consequently, these cases are often not properly investigated, charged or are lost at trial. This session will provide participants with a strong foundation in the toxicology of alcohol and how to investigate to identify the outward manifestations of the impact of alcohol, as well as its impact on decision-making, memory and perception. Strategies for re-framing the investigation and prosecution to ensure they are conducted in an offender focused way will be shared. We will go beyond the didactic into recreating the experience with vignettes and real-world videos.

4. United States vs Brett Jason Williamson

Scott Slifer, Detective, Lawrence Police Department

In February, 2012, a 13 year old minor child from Eastern Kansas began chatting with what she believed was a 15 year old boy she met on the Internet. Williams successfully persuaded this young girl that he was “in love with her”. She welcomed the compliments and believed their relationship was growing. Their chats became more and more sexual in nature, and he persuaded her to use a web-cam to allow him to watch her engage in sexual activity. Soon, he became more and more demanding and threatened to embarrass the victim with still photographs he had screened shot of her if she did not comply. The “internet boyfriend” was identified as Brett J. Williamson, a 35 year old man. Dozens of children were victimized over the Internet by this brutal pedophile. This case study shows how the perpetrator was identified and prosecuted.

5. Victim Privacy: Why it Matters and How to Protect It

Meg Garvin, Executive Director and Clinical Professor of Law, National Crime Victim Law Institute, Portland, Oregon

It has been said that for survivors, “privacy is like oxygen; it is a pervasive, consistent need at every step of recovery.” Despite this, survivors often face a Hobson choice: access justice or maintain privacy. Forcing this choice is something that harms our justice systems and our communities. This session will identify the myriad of legal bases for victims to assert privacy rights and discuss strategies for protecting those rights so that they can access justice AND maintain privacy. Specific areas to be covered include quashing subpoenas and proceeding by pseudonym.

6. Grant Writing-From grant application to delivery of service

Brenda Sharpe, President/CEO, REACH Healthcare Foundation; Dorthy Stucky Halley, LMSW, Victim Services Division Director and Kathy Holm, Grant Monitor, Office of the Attorney General; Jill Stewart, Financial Officer, Kansas Governor's Grants Program

Attendees will gain knowledge about how to write strong goals and objectives, as well as an understanding of grant management skills. Attendees will develop the skills to ensure competent delivery of service and accurate and comprehensive reporting of outcomes and results. In times when it is necessary to explore any and all grant opportunities, grant writers must develop their grant writing skills to compete with other grantees and organizations.

7. Helping Crime Victims During their Time of Need: The Kansas Crime Victims Compensation Program Overview

Arin Young, Senior Investigator, Division of Crime Victims Compensation, Office of the Attorney General; Kristen Czugala, Program Supervisor, Victim Services Unit, Kansas City Kansas Police Department

Attendees will learn the basics of the program including the eligibility requirements and the services that the crime victims program can and cannot cover. This workshop is very valuable for advocates or witness coordinators who work with crime victims.

8. The Many Faces of Human Trafficking: Identifying the overlap in victimization between human trafficking, smuggling, domestic violence, sexual assault and prostitution

Irene Roan, Bilingual Outreach Advocate, Safe Homes, Inc; Priscillia Orta-Wenner, Immigration Attorney, Sunflower Community Outreach Program; Paulin Conde, Advocate/Migrant Recruiter, Greenbush Migrant Education Program

A panel presentation from an advocate, a migrant recruiter, and an immigration attorney will share how their collaboration to protect and assist crime victims has led to increased identification of international victims of human trafficking who endure unimaginable hardships in their bid for a better life. Strategies for increasing the number of human trafficking victims identified will be shared, as well as examples of how community partnerships can be effective.

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9. Child Abuse Investigation Decision Tree: The order we do things matters!

Kelly Robbins, Executive Director, Western Kansas Child Advocacy Center; David Fyler, Program Director, Western Kansas Child Advocacy Center; Jeff Swanson, Sergeant, Wichita Police Department and other panelists TBD

This workshop highlights an accurate and effective Multi-Disciplinary (MDT) team approach to investigating child abuse. In order to achieve successful outcomes in these cases it is essential that we understand the role of each agency in our MDT and how to collaborate with each other effectively. This workshop will use an interactive exercise and a panel discussion to demonstrate best practices in the field.

10. Victim, Survivor, BIP Provider: What I've learned so far

Stephanie Russo, Program Consultant II, Kansas Department of Corrections

I have been a victim of domestic violence, served as a victim advocate, and now I facilitate BIP groups. In this workshop participants will gain a greater understanding of domestic violence dynamics from my unique perspective. This presentation affords the professional with an intimate understanding of what helps with, and what interferes with victim safety.

11. Rape Shield: History and Current Status

Meg Garvin, Executive Director and Clinical Professor of Law, National Crime Victim Law Institute, Portland, Oregon

Well into the 1970s, it was a legal truism in this country that victims of sexual assault who had been sexually active before the assault were essentially unrapeable. Their chastity, or lack thereof, was seen as legal evidence that they had consented to the assault, and that they were not credible. With the 1970s came the rape shield movement, which called these prejudices into question. In the next decades, every state had rape shield legislation on the books, reflecting the truth that victims' sexual history is irrelevant to their status as a victim of sexual assault. But, more than forty years later, how successful has rape shield legislation been? This session will briefly outline the history of rape shield before providing a snapshot of some of the most troublesome issues seen in rape shield litigation today. This training will arm attendees with practical tips to secure the strongest protections for survivors.

12. When Good Tech Goes Bad: Investigating Technology Facilitated Stalking

Sarah Balcom, Domestic Violence Program Coordinator, Nebraska Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence; Stephine Bowman, Protection Order Project Attorney, Kansas Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence

Stalking and tech abuse is hard to prove, can be time consuming to investigate, takes a lot of survivor involvement and often does not stop without some sort of intervention. Intimate partner stalking is a major lethality risk in domestic violence. Participants will gain tools and skills to collaborate with advocates, officers, and prosecutors in their areas to increase survivor safety and offender accountability. Through a survivor-centered collaborative approach, participants will be able to identify responsibilities of the various roles of each member, build a stronger case, increase safety for survivors and hold abusers accountable.

13. When a Victim of Human Trafficking Commits a Crime

Lucy Bloom, Director, Faith-based and Community Initiatives, Department for Children and Families; Other panel members to be determined

Professionals can be challenged in providing services when a victim of commercial sexual exploitation is charged with human trafficking. An expert panel on the subject of sexual exploitation of children, corrections, and child welfare will discuss challenges in treatment of victimization when the victim has also committed a crime.

14. Show Me the Money! Diversifying your Revenue

Kim Cebula, Vice President of Resource Development, United Way of Greater Topeka; Angel Romero, Senior Director of Resource Development, United Way of Topeka

Learn how to build relationships with donors and cultivate new donors to invest in your work.

15. Turning the Case Upside-Down: Taking A Critical Look at Suspect Interviews

Russell Strand, Chief, Behavioral Sciences Education and Training Division United States Army, Military Police School, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri

It's time to take a fresh look at an age-old problem—suspect interviews. Reducing false confessions, deception, and false information have long been at the center of criminal justice interest and research. The desire to determine the truth, deterred neither by fear nor prejudice, has been the focal point of research and development of proper interview/interrogation techniques. For centuries, suspect interviews have been the topic of great controversy in the criminal justice field. It is absolutely imperative for criminal justice professionals to have the ability to investigate crime, uncover the facts, wade through deception, and make determinations. This session will challenge long-held beliefs in what works and what doesn't.

16. Gimme Shelter! Housing rights for crime victims

Jessica Nasternak, Legal and Policy Director and Jennifer Ananda, Legal Assistance for Victims Attorney, Kansas Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence

This workshop will describe federal and state housing rights for victims of sexual and domestic violence. Presenters will also discuss the hierarchy of orders from a court and discuss what to do when presented with temporary orders, a protection order, no contract orders, and other conflicting orders from the court in regard to housing.

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17. Interviewing Victims with Disabilities **This session is back by popular demand!**

Scott Modell, Ph.D, President, Modell Consulting Group, LLC., Nashville, Tennessee

Studies have long established that children with disabilities are disproportionately criminally victimized. Specifically, the rate of violence experienced by children with disabilities is almost triple the rate compared to children without disabilities. Children and youth with disabilities are more likely than children and youth without disabilities to experience physical abuse resulting in bodily injury and to experience serious sexual offenses including those involving repeated abuse, use of force and threats. Research studies (Powers, 2004; Nosek, 2001; Sobsey, 1994; Petersilia, 1998; Waxman, 1991) consistently report that there is a very high rate of sexual violence against children with physical and intellectual disabilities, as well as, those with significant speech and or communication disabilities. Furthermore, the risk of sexual violence appears to increase with the degree of disability. There are a number of factors related to children with disabilities susceptibility to interactions with the criminal justice system. In addition to these factors, many significant barriers exist, both real and perceived, that limit investigation and prosecution of these cases. Understanding and communicating effectively with children with disabilities who come into contact with the criminal justice system are necessary skills for law enforcement, children's advocacy center staff, children's services and other social service personnel. The participants in this training will develop a broader understanding of children disabilities as well as new strategies for effective interviewing and communicating. Video clips of real individuals with disabilities are integrated into the presentation to maximize the effectiveness of the training.

18. Medically Speaking, Speaking Medically: Helping victims navigate medical systems

Deborah Zelli, Director of Client Services, YWCA Wichita - Women's Crisis Center; Mary Boyce, MD, Physician, Wesley Family Medicine Residency

When victims access medical care, advocates have both an opportunity and a challenge. Hospitals, doctor's offices and other medical facilities may provide an opportunity for victims of sexual and domestic violence to connect with advocacy services. At the same time, victims who are experiencing health problems related to their victimization face many challenges getting what they need from health systems. Now more than ever, with the inclusion of domestic violence screening in federal healthcare laws, advocates and other providers working with victims of crime have an important role to play in assisting victims in navigating medical systems. Participants in this workshop will explore opportunities to develop collaborations between victim services providers and medical providers, learn more about helping to ensure medical providers are prepared for victim screening, and assisting victims in accessing medical resources.

19. Behind Closed Doors: Marital Sexual Assault

Russell Strand, Chief, Behavioral Sciences Education and Training Division United States Army, Military Police School, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri

The majority of sexual assault victims know their assailants. Despite this fact, the public still expects rapists to be weapon wielding strangers who attack their victims in dark alleys. This expectation, grounded in cultural bias, victim-blaming, rape myth acceptance, and faulty expectations about victim behavior, creates unique challenges to the successful prosecution of nonstranger sexual assault. A current or former relationship between the victim and the defendant can lead to additional complexities that often make the arrest, prosecution, and

conviction of an intimate-partner rapist even more difficult. Historically, additional barriers to prosecution were created by many jurisdictions' criminal laws that sanctioned intimate-partner rape by exempting spouses from the rape statutes. Although the marital exemption is no longer codified, some allied criminal justice professionals have continued to ignore, dismiss, or blame victims of intimate-partner sexual assault. A growing number of allied criminal justice professionals recognize the validity of intimate-partner sexual violence and conduct aggressive investigations and prosecutions of these rapists.

20. Cuyahoga County, Ohio: Effective Investigation and Prosecution of Cold Case Sexual Assault

Brett Kyker, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, and Manager, Cuyahoga County Sexual Assault Kit Task Force, Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office; Patricia Stipek, Special Agent, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation, and Lead Investigator, Cuyahoga County Sexual Assault Kit Task Force

This workshop will discuss the Cuyahoga County's DNA Cold Case Task Force which pairs sex crimes unit detectives with investigators from the prosecutor's office to locate victims and witnesses, as well as evidence, in old sexual assault cases. These law enforcement partners then collaborate with a team of specially focused sexual assault kit prosecutors to prepare cases for Grand Jury presentation and prosecution. As of February 2016, more than 440 individuals had been indicted for rapes committed as far back as 1993. The conviction rate on these cases exceeds 90 percent. This workshop will share ideas on how to create and operate such a task force in your jurisdiction.

21. Identify Theft Resources for Kansas Crime Victims

Marilyn Harp, Executive Director, Kansas Legal Services, Inc.

Identity theft is the most often reported financial crime. Resources exist to protect and resolve issues, without paying the for-profit companies. Information will be presented on how identity theft victims can self-advocate with creditors and credit bureaus and in Court actions.

22. Creating and Utilizing Needs Assessments to Prevent Sexual Violence on the Community Level

Melanie Austin, Director of Education, Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault; Cora Olson, MPH Student, University of Kansas School of Medicine; Natabhona Mabachi, Research Assistant Professor, University of Kansas Medical Center

This workshop emphasizes the first step in creating community change: an understanding of the extent of the problem. In this workshop you will learn about creating and utilizing needs assessments to determine effective sexual violence prevention programming on the community level. Key findings of an assessment conducted in two Kansas counties by two community-based coalitions will be shared. Additionally, participants will receive tools and strategies for engaging community partners and conducting needs assessments for effective program planning.

23. Professionals Playing! Healing and Wholeness in the Midst of Vicarious Trauma

Dr. Christy Sim, Accreditation and Technical Assistance Coordinator, Kansas Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence; Janene Radke, Executive Director, Family Crisis Services of Garden City

This interactive workshop will address what is happening in the brain in the midst of vicarious trauma and lead participants to practical healing tools with concentration on writing and art. Participants will be invited to participate in creative methods designed for responding to the needs of vicarious trauma in their own life and work.

24. Juvenile Justice Reinvestment Initiatives (JJRIs) and Crime Victims/Survivors

Anne Seymour, National Crime Victim Advocate, Washington, D.C.; Senator Greg Smith, District 21, Kansas

Many states, including Kansas, are seeking to reform their juvenile justice systems based upon evidence-based policies and practices that enhance accountability of and improve outcomes for juvenile offenders and focus resources on the most serious juvenile offenders. The involvement of crime victims, survivors and victim advocates in JJRIs is critical to their success. This session will provide an overview of juvenile justice reinvestment initiatives nationwide and in Kansas, with a focus on what crime victims and advocates say is most important to them in juvenile justice reforms. As a result of participating in this session, attendees will be able to:

- Identify the key findings of “Re-examining Juvenile Incarceration” *Issues Brief* published by The Pew Charitable Trusts in April 2015
- Describe the policy recommendations of the Kansas juvenile justice reinvestment initiative
- Discuss and identify the rights and needs of victims of juvenile offenders to be considered within juvenile justice reform efforts

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Session IV 12:30-2:00 p.m.

25. Application of Safety Science in Human Service Systems

Scott Modell, Ph.D, President, Modell Consulting Group, LLC., Nashville, Tennessee

The application of safety science to human service systems such as child welfare agencies, adult protective services, law enforcement agencies, and public and private providers who serve individuals with disabilities involves developing an understanding that there are interrelationships between humans and systems, organizational resilience and a safety culture. Humans and systems are not independent actors in agencies. Rather, humans work in multiple subsystems closely interacting under the pressures of limited resources and multiple goals. Organizational resilience is the ability of an organization to continuously adapt to complex environments (e.g., staff turnover, family dynamics, political budgets, administration changes, etc.). A safety culture is one in which organizational values, attitudes, and behaviors support a safe, engaged workforce and reliable service delivery. When things go wrong in an agency (e.g., client death) there is a desire to fix what is typically labeled a human performance problem. Organizations then try to control the worker by more policies, rules and less flexibility. Resilient organizations instead support frontline staff to engage in adaptive performance variations. Resilient organizations are able to handle the inherent complexity of systems and continuously produce safe outcomes. This is in large part due to how the organizations learn from failure and how they avoid quick fixes such as increased training, automation or punitive responses. Concepts and techniques have been developed from studying some of the most safety critical industries in the world, such as aviation, healthcare and nuclear power. This session will highlight the application of these safety principles within human service systems and will address their future application to systems nationally and internationally.

26. PFA/PFS Considerations from Filing to Enforcement

Marilyn Harp, Executive Director, Kansas Legal Services, Inc.

The filing of any civil legal action has consequences beyond the initial court Petition. This workshop will offer considerations for victims who are not well served by filing for a PFA/PFS. In addition, methods of enforcement of existing orders and the connections between a PFA and child custody orders will be considered.

27. Male Sexual Assault: The Pain Behind the Mask(ulinity)

Russell Strand, Chief, Behavioral Sciences Education and Training Division United States Army, Military Police School, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri

Contrary to popular belief, sexual assaults committed against males are not an uncommon occurrence. Male victimization can and does have a profound effect not only on the male victim and their male counterparts, but also the females in their lives—for better or worse. This session will explore male gender socialization, how males are often raised in ways that hinder proper expressions of emotions. How the emotions and values of male identity are formed will be discussed along with how these emotions and value are expressed and can actually hinder proper healing following sexual victimization. Participants will be presented with hard-hitting video and audio examples to assist in understanding the overwhelming and frequent maladaptive reactions to male sexual assault. Cutting-edge research and contrasts and comparisons between female and male victimization will also be presented. This presentation will be extremely beneficial to all professionals responding to male victims and the males and females in their lives. Law enforcement, mental health, health care, and criminal justice professionals as well as researchers and victim advocates will benefit greatly. Ending violence against women can be more effectively accomplished with a better understanding of the implications and outcomes of violence against males.

28. The Kansas Sexual Assault Kit Initiative - Understanding and Improving our Responses to Sexual Assault

Katie Whisman, Executive Officer, Kansas Bureau of Investigation; Barry Wilkerson, Riley County Attorney, Riley County Attorney's Office; Kathy Ray, Director of Advocacy, Education, & Rural Projects, Kansas Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence; Dorothy Stucky Halley, LMSW, Victim Services Division Director; Lisa Burdett, West Region Laboratory Supervisor and DNA Technical Leader, Kansas Bureau of Investigation; Jennifer Johnson, MSN, APRN, AFN-BC, CFN, SANE-A, SANE-P, Program Coordinator, Forensic Assessment Consultation and Treatment Program, Shawnee Mission Medical Center

The Kansas Bureau of Investigation convened a multidisciplinary working group to evaluate the underlying factors that have contributed to an accumulation of sexual assault kits in law enforcement property rooms throughout the state. Panelists will discuss challenges faced by their respective stakeholder community and what is being done to overcome obstacles in order to improve our responses to sexual assault and the victims tragically affected by these acts of violence.

29. Kansas VINE: Victim Information and Notification Everyday

Tiffany Massey, Client Relationship Manager and Emily Lepping, Manager, Client Relationships, Appriss; Joan Proctor, Victim Assistance Training Coordinator, Victims' Services Division, Office of Attorney General

Victims have the right to know! Learn about the new Kansas VINE (Victim Information and Notification Everyday) statewide automated system that makes it possible. Kansas VINE helps keep communities safe and informed by providing crime victims and victim survivors' access to information about an offender's custody status and notifying them about any changes of an incarcerated offender in all Kansas county jail facilities. In this session, learn how VINE began and how it works. Most importantly, learn how victims, victim survivors, the community and YOU will benefit from its use.

30. Heroes Wanted: Volunteers who Make a Difference

Kimberly Wolff, Director of Volunteer Engagement, United Way of Greater Topeka

This session will discuss what strategic volunteer engagement means to your organization. Participants will learn best practices of an effective volunteer program, the difference between a good volunteer and an invested volunteer, and pitfalls of volunteering. We will consider the value of a volunteer to your bottom dollar and how volunteering can help diversify your revenue. Through roundtable discussions and interactive activities, participants will leave with the tools necessary to implement a Strategic Volunteer Recruitment Plan.

31. Communicating with Victims

Anne Seymour, National Crime Victim Advocate, Washington, D.C.

Basic communication skills when working with victims are essential to ensure consistent and sensitive treatment, and the provision of appropriate information and referrals. This session will provide practical suggestions and resources to ensure that written, telephone and in-person communications with crime victims are sensitive and effective. As a result of attending this session, participants will be able to:

- Describe three words in the “language of trauma and victimization” that may be hurtful to victims.
- Identify three reasons why good communication skills can enhance victim interviews.
- Describe good things to say to victims, and bad things to avoid saying to victims, that can make a difference in their overall treatment and willingness to access services.

32. Are you ready for Mass Tragedy?

Steve Siegel, Director, Special Programs Unit, Denver District Attorney’s Office, Colorado;

Nancy Lewis, Executive Director, Colorado Organization for Victim Assistance

This is an interactive session to evaluate where participants are in planning their response to mass tragedy. The elements of Mass Tragedy will be explored, such as first response, immediate needs, family assistance centers, managing all the helpers, prosecution, immediate, mid-term and long term needs. In small groups, participants will be asked to put together a plan for Mass Tragedy.